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INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS

Meeting of February 5, 1943

PRESENT:

OWI	Dr. Krould
Department of Commerce	Mr. Domeratsky
Department of Agriculture	Mr. Shaw
State Department	Dr. Spaulding
Treasury Department	Mr. Wood
OSS	Dr. Dorn
War Department	Major Hale
BEW	Mr. Chaput
Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs	Mr. Dudley
Library of Congress	Mr. Moriarty
Executive Secretary	Mr. Kilgour

Mr. Kilgour presided.

The Budget was reviewed and there were two major discussions. The first was on the advisability of including in the budget request for the Interdepartmental Committee the request for personnel and supplies necessary to reproduce copies of the microfilm. The Office of Strategic Services intended to include this request in the budget for the OSS Reproduction Unit, but some members of the Committee felt that this would be unfortunate in that it might appear to be an attempt to conceal some of the funds to be spent by the Committee. Mr. Kilgour explained that he intended to indicate in the justification these additional necessary funds that were being requested by the Reproduction Unit. The Committee desired that he be certain to do so.

The Committee also felt that the request for funds for the purchase of publications was inadequate. Mr. Kilgour was instructed to increase the request. There was a considerable discussion as to whether or not the Interdepartmental Committee should pay from its funds for original publications purchased for other agencies when it was not anticipated that copies of these original publications would be distributed to all agencies. Mr. Shaw moved that in the future when any agency requested an original copy of a publication for its own use in the war effort, that agency should be billed by the Interdepartmental Committee on a 1080 Reimbursement Voucher and that the Bureau of the Budget be advised of this change in the Committee's policy. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved.